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| Applicant    | : | Rodolfo I. Gamboa |                       |
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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office action dated September 8, 2006, applicant replies as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.